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PATENT APPLICATION

Inventor(s): **ANDREW ROMAN CHRAPLYVY et al.**
Case: **CHRAPLYVY 28-3-1-7**
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Examiner: **LEE, DAVID J.**
Title: **LONG HAUL TRANSMISSION IN A DISPERSION MANAGED OPTICAL
COMMUNICATION SYSTEM**

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In response to the non-final Office Action mailed January 24, 2005, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for the reasons discussed below.

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